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Title:	OSTEOACTIVIN PROTEIN AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME, COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF STIMULATING BONE DIFFERENTIATION		

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned patent application on October 16, 2003, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.